Mountain Weather Forecast

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Tuesday 14 Dec 2021 until 23:59 on Wednesday 15 Dec 2021

Forecast Issued on Tuesday 14 Dec 2021 at 03:36 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for damp weather at times on Tuesday and Wednesday. High for a change to dry and settled weather from Thursday onwards.

Headline for Tuesday 14 Dec 2021: Cloudy and windy with rain, mainly in the north

Mountain weather hazards on Tuesday 14 Dec 2021

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy Snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
Low Likelihood

Gales
High Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Medium Likelihood

Poor visibility
High Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Heavy snow	Sleet	Heavy Rain	Light rain	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain
Precipitation probability					
30%	50%	60%	50%	50%	30%

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Weather: A cloudy day with extensive low cloud. Outbreaks of rain, briefly preceded by snow on the higher tops, will spread east through the morning. Further rain is expected across Argyll and southern Lochaber during the afternoon and evening, but drier conditions will develop across Kintyre and Arran with just some occasional drizzle.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Little chance during daylight hours

Visibility: Poor in extensive low cloud below 500 metres for much of the day, but summits may be clear of low cloud across Arran and southern Kintyre until mid-morning

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	53/65 SW	55/68 SW	51/66 SW	50/65 SW	49/65 SW	46/62 SW	46/62 SW
900	35/46 SW	32/44 SW	34/47 SW	33/47 SW	33/47 SW	32/47 SW	32/47 SW
600	50/61 SW	44/55 SW	42/56 SW	40/54 SW	39/53 SW	37/52 SW	37/52 SW
300	25/37 SW	25/38 SW	21/34 SW	21/34 SW	22/36 SW	21/36 SW	21/37 SW
Glen	17/33 SW	16/34 SW	19/37 SW	17/35 SW	18/36 SW	18/37 SW	18/37 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
1300	-3/-14	-2/-12	0/-10	2/-7	2/-6	2/-6	2/-6
900	-0/-9	0/-8	2/-6	3/-4	4/-3	4/-2	4/-2
600	2/-6	3/-5	4/-3	6/-1	6/-0	6/0	6/1
300	5/-1	5/-1	6/1	7/3	8/3	8/4	8/4
Glen	6/2	6/2	8/4	9/5	9/6	10/6	10/6
Freezing Level*	900m	1500m	2500m	2300m	2100m	2300m	2200m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Stormy conditions will make for slow and drenching progress at height. Note rapid increase in freezing level by afternoon.

Forecast for Wednesday 15 Dec 2021

Weather: Low confidence for detail. Cloud and rain in the early hours becoming confined to the Central Belt southwards during the daytime. The north will be mostly dry and bright before rain and low cloud spread back northwards from late afternoon.

Maximum wind: Westerly 20 to 30 mph on the higher tops

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 50%

Visibility: Poor in low cloud across the south down to 500 metres, but summits generally clear in the north with good visibility.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 6 rising to 10 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 4 to 7 Celsius
Freezing level: 1200 metres in the far north, otherwise well above summits

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